(c) whether the company is required to mention on the product lables, names of the synthetic ingredients?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Dabur Honey has been licenced as a food item and not as Ayurvedic medicine. The firm has denied use of synthetic substances.

Synthetic substances are not included in Ayurvedic Pharmacopoeia which, however, has not laid down standards for honey.

As per prevention and Food Adulteration Rules 1955, no synthetic ingredients are permitted to be added in honey.

Manufacturers are supposed to indicate the name of ingredients with their quantity on the labels as per the requirement of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 and Rules thereunder.

Constitution of Advisory Committees on CGHS Dispensaries

2905. SHRIYADALAPATI VENKAT RAO:
SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to constitute Advisory Committees with association of local MPs for inspection of CGHS dispensaries to ensure that they run properly in public interest;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) There is no proposal to constitute Advisory Committees with association of local MPs for inspection of CGHS dispensaries. Various CGHS authorities inspect the dispensaries from time to time.

Inclusion of NET. N. Vaccination in Family Welfare Programme

2906. SHRIMATI SARLA MAHESHWARI:
SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to include NET.N. vaccination in the Family Welfare Programme to avoid unwanted pregnancy in women;

(b) if so, whether Government have conducted any study relating to the side-effects and health problems likely to be caused by the NET.N. vaccination;

(c) whether Government have taken a decision to implement the programme through the medical colleges; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) There is no decision to include Net-en Injectable in the National Family Welfare Programme.

(b) Phase-III clinical trials were carried out by Indian Council of Medical research during 1981 at 16 Human Reproduction Research Centres located within Medical Colleges to test the contraceptive efficacy and acceptability of Net-en mg when administered every two or three months. The study concluded that this method was highly effective as a contraceptive. The failure rate was only 1.4 per 100 users at the end of 24 months of use with the two monthly Injectables.

This failure rate is comparable with the other contraceptive i.e. Intrauterine Devices and Oral Contraceptives. A primary reason for discontinuation of this injectable women was on account of disruption in the menstrual cycle leading to either amenorrhoea or excessive/prolonged bleeding and irregular cycles.

No major side effects were observed in his trial by ICMR except few women who experienced weakness/headache and three women experienced weight gain. Second pre-programme introductory study was carried out by ICMR at B and C Type Postpartum centres and Primary Health Centres attached to Medical Colleges during 1984—87. The results of this study were also similar to those obtained after the Phase-III trials. These studies have shown that the method is highly efficacious and acceptable.

(c) and (d) Government has not taken decision on this.